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In the Application of)) Examiner: Not Assigned))
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on	AEROGEL AND METALLIC COMPOSITES))) Group Art Unit: 1754
Serial	No.: 10/695,214) Confirmation No. 4508
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RENEWED PETITION TO CLAIM BENEFIT UNDER 35 U.S.C. 119(e) OF PRIOR FILED PROVISIONAL APPLICATIONS (37 C.F.R. 1.78(a)(6))

Dear Sirs:

In response to a Dismissal, dated March 31, 2006, of a Petition to Claim Benefit Under 35 U.S.C. 119(e), Applicants hereby submit a Renewed Petition, in accordance with 35 U.S.C. 119(e) and 37 C.F.R. § 1.78(a)(6), to claim indirect benefit for this application, through intermediate application no. 10/327,300, filed on December 20, 2002, of provisional applications:

Provisional Application No. 60/343,700 filed December 27, 2001; Provisional Application No. 60/390,174 filed June 19, 2002; and Provisional Application No. 60/412,755 filed September 23, 2002.

Application No. 10/695,214 Renewed Petition dated April 11, 2006 Reply to Dismissal of Petition dated March 31, 2006

Applicants state that the entire delay between the date the claim was due under paragraph (a)(5)(ii) of 37 C.F.R. 1.78 and the date this claim was filed was unintentional.

Applicants enclose a Supplemental Application Data Sheet correcting the priority claim to the provisional applications.

Applicants further present, under separate cover as a Supplemental Amendment, an amendment to the first line of the specification.

As the surcharge fee set forth in 1.17(t), required by 37 C.F.R. 1.78(a)(6)(ii), was submitted with the Petition to Claim Benefit Under 35 U.S.C. 119(e), filed on February 2, 2006, Applicants believe that no further fees are due. Applicants respectfully request that any deficiencies in the fees be charged to Deposit Order Account No. 13-0235.

Respectfully submitted,

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